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Mintes of Last Meeting

Portsmouth Library June 29 1992
7:05 p.m.. Speaker was Lloyd Lee Wilson "Quakerism & Quaker Genealogy". The program was taped by Mr. & Mrs Thomas Cogsdale who drove from Sedley in Southampton Co. for the Southampton Historical Society. Kathy Stewart made announcement about summer & fall genealogy classes at the family history center in Chesapeake. President Matthews mentioned the micro-film- Microfiche reader is set up in the History Room. Trasuée report by Mr Shelley; \$ 457.75 in treasure. Meeting adjourned untill Aug 31 1992. We have a planed speaker. Mr. C.W. Tazewell of Virginia Beach who will speak on " Publishing Guide Lines". Please come & support your Society.

New Members

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Nansemond County Va. Genealogy
Information By Michael Dunn

The Muncipal Bldg. on Market St. in Suffolk, Va. has the records of Nansemond Co., The records date back to 1866. Nansemond Co. is a burned Co.. Please don't go to the courthouse.

Isle of Wight & Middlesex Co.

By Michel Dunn

Are you researching in Isle of Wight & Middlesex Co. in Va. Some of the records are tied up in red tape. A private book dealer has the records and the state is trying to get them back for public use.

✓ Griffin family

John T. Griffin was born Suffolk, Va. Feb 5 1838, son of Nathaniel & Virginia A. Griffin & grandson of Luke Griffin who was born Nansemond Co. Va.

Nathaniel Griffin was born in Nansemond Co. Va. July 10 1806, He was a farmer & owned a coach-making business at Suffolk. Nathaniel moved to Norfolk Co. in 1844 & farmed until his death Sept 22 1886 at the age of 80. Nathaniel was married to Virginia Ann Gwinn who was also borned in Nansemond Co. Jan 12 1819. She died Dec 15 1900 at the age of 81. Nathaniel & Virginia Griffin had 3 known children.

1. Infant died
2. Virginia Judson Griffin born Feb 26 1842. She never married, died May 5 1899, buried with her parents in the Churchland Baptist Cemetery.
3. John Thomas Griffin, born Feb 5 1838 died April 14 1920, married Julia

Griffin family continue;

Armistead Benn, born Nansemond Co. Va.
Oct 16 1842, died Feb 8 1928, dt of Nancy
(Tartt) & Thomas Benn, who was ensign war
1812. Thomas Benn was born 1789, married
Nancy Tartt April 6 1835 in Norfolk Co.
Va.. Nancy Tartt was his second wife he
married 1st Sept 9 1819 Sarah B. Colley.
Nancy Tartt was born Feb 6 1806, she died
June 22 1889. Thomas Benn died 1844. Both
buried Churchland Baptist Cemetery.

John Thomas Griffin & Julia Armistead
(Benn) Griffin had three known children.

1. Thomas Benn Griffin born 1866 died 1938
married 1890, Rachel Williams born 1869
(d) 1945, daughter of J.M. Williams of
petersburg, VA.
2. Virginia Julia Griffin born 1870, died
1963, married Attorney Charles Woolfolk
Coleman.
3. Mary Gasena Griffin born 1877, died 1963
married James Vernon Carney born 1867 died
1948

Thomas Benn Griffin born July 8 1866 died
1938 & his wife Rachel Williams Griffin had
6 known children.

- 1, Mortimer W. Griffin 1889-1978
2. John Nathaniel Griffin 1892-1967 married
Edith Phillips 1880. 1973
3. Sarah (sadie) Griffin
4. Thomas Benn Griffin Jr.
5. John T. Griffin
6. Charles Coleman Griffin May 19 1901-
June 28 1901

Griffin Family buried Churchland Baptist
Cemetery, Portsmouth, Virginia. located
Churchland Baptist Church.